

Summit Lake Paiute Tribe

Elected Officials

Chairwoman: Randi DeSoto

Vice-Chairwoman: Degadina Gonzalez

Environmental Director: Vacant

Land Base: 10,506 acres (remote; office is near Reno)

Primary Economy: None

Population and Poverty (2010 Census) There are no permanent residents of the Reservation.

EPA Funding (2013-2014)

CWA 319	\$510,000
---------	-----------



GAP Grant Activities

Prior GAP grants to the Tribe were managed by the Tribe's Environmental Protection Department (staff of 1). Activities focused on outreach and education, attending meetings, and reviewing environmental documents. Due to unacceptable programmatic performance and weaknesses in the Tribe's administrative systems, the Region does not plan to fund the GAP Program in FY 2015. The tribe has appealed twice to the Dispute Decision Official regarding questioned costs resulting from an Audit by the EPA Office of Inspector General, and several A-133 Audits.

Contact: Laura Ebbert 415-947-3561.

Clean Water Act Grant Activities

The Tribe is receiving a Nonpoint Source Program grant. Because the threatened Lahontan cutthroat inhabits the lake and feeder creeks, the Tribe has utilized these grants to restore and protect the quality of their waters. Water Programs are managed by the Natural Resources Department and performance has been outstanding. However, due to unresolved financial issues, the Tribe elected not to apply for CWA grants for FY15. At the present time, the Tribe is working diligently to complete their three NPS competitive grants prior to funds being swept due to Treasury offset.

Contact: Wendell Smith, 415-972-3421

Drinking Water

The Tribe has requested funding to establish a drinking water system on the Reservation, but the SDWA limits the Agency from funding a system that would not meet the criteria of a Public Water System (15 connections or 25 persons served). The Reservation has a transient population; there are currently no full-time residents.

Contact: Linda Reeves, 415-972-3549

General Environmental Issues

The Tribe has expressed strong concerns with the Ruby Pipeline Project, which recently completed FERC processes. Additional environmental concerns revolve around protection of the Lahontan Cutthroat Trout, an endangered species which are endemic to the Summit Lake. A portion of the Summit Lake and surrounding banks and geography is within the Reservation.

Contact: Veronica Swann, 415-972-3699

Solid Waste

The Tribe utilized GAP to adopt a resolution requiring that all persons carry their own wastes off of the Reservation. This resolution, approved May 2010, was the most reasonable alternative to a formal Solid Waste Management Plan.

Number of Open Dumps: 2

Contact: Jenny Stephenson, 415-972-3429